MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) As per G. O. R. O. C. No. 208/32/Judl., dated 29th February 1932.

(*b*) 1-8-1107.

(*c*) Mr. K. N. Govindan, B. A., was exercising First Class powers from 1-8-1107 to 1-10-1107 when he left charge of the taluk.

(*d*) Calender cases 83
Summary cases 41

(*e*) The Division First Class Magistrate, Trivandrum, was ordered to be in charge of the First Class Magistrate's Court at Neyyattinkara, until Mr. Govindan's successor joined duty.

(*f*) Mr. G. V. Venkitakrishna Aiyah, B. A. B. L., Tahsildar and First Class Magistrate, has been posted to Neyyattinkara and he has joined duty at Neyyattinkara on 10-12-1107 after leave.

*Attender Mechanic of the Observatory.*

472. MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is an Attender Mechanic for the Observatory, Trivandrum ;

(*b*) whether there is the necessity for the employment of such a permanent hand ;

(*c*) whether the present Attender Mechanic knows motor driving ; and

(*d*) whether he has got the license for driving motor cars ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes ; but the present incumbent holds only a temporary appointment.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know how long is it since the Observatory has been established here ?

PRESIDENT : That question does not arise.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know when this attender mechanic was appointed ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : In 1106.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know whether there was such a post before that ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : No.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know whether any new mechanism has been bought for the use of the Observatory ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretrary to Government*) : Except the wireless sets, no new mechanisms have been bought.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know what are the mechanisms that this attender mechanic has repaired since his appointment ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : That information has not been called for.

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MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know whether there is any mechanism in the Observatory which requires constant attention ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Yes, all the instruments have to be oiled, cleaned and attended to.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know whether the duty of the attender mechanic is oiling and cleaning ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : He has to attend to small repairs also.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know whether he is competent to repair the telescope or any other big mechanisms.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I do not know his competency in regard to that.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know whether his services are utilised for repairing or for cleaning and other things ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I have already stated that he has to attend to small repairs in addition to oiling and cleaning.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know from the member whether the repairs that may have to be done cannot be attended to by a man whose services are engaged for that particular purpose alone ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The appointment of the attender mechanic is only temporary for the next year.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know whether there is necessity for the constant attendence of a full-time officer like that ?

PRESIDENT : That question has been answered in part (*b*) in the printed list.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know whether the attender mechanic should have knowledge of motor driving and that it is a necessary qualification for the attender mechanic in the Observatory ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The knowledge of motor driving is no disqualification.

*Statement of appointments made by the Tahsildar, Tiruvalla.*

473. MR. M. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table :

(*a*) a statement, by caste, of appointments, both permanent and acting, made by the present (22-11-1107) Tahsildar of Tiruvalla ;

(*b*) the names of persons newly appointed by him ; and

(*c*) the names of acting subordinates who had to suffer break of service because of fresh recruitment by the said officer ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) and (*b*) Statements* furnishing the information required are laid on the table.

(*c*) There were no such cases.

*Vide* Appendix XI A and B—pages xv—xvi.



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